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SUBJECT: STATEMENT BY BRAZILIAN MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE

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1. IN PAST BRAZIL IMPORTED URUGUAYAN MEAT AS VEHICLE TO DREPRESS MEAT PRICES IN BRAZIL TO CONSUMERS IN FIGHT AGAINST INFLATION.

2. AT END OF LAST YEAR OFF AND ON GOB EXPRESSED INTENTION TO RESUME IMPORTS FROM URUGUAY IN EARLY 1975. FARMERS REACTION WAS UNEXPECTEDLY STRONG AND PAULINELLI'S STATEMENTS AIMED AT GETTING MONKEY OFF HIS BACK AND APPEASE CATTLE FARMERS. PRESENT LIVE WEIGHT PRICE TO FARMER IN RIO GRANDE DO SUL 3,50 CRUZEIROS PER KILO AND FARMERS ARE HOLDING CATTLE BACK FOR SLAUGHTER IN EXPECTATION THAT PRICES MAY RISE LATER IN YEAR.

3. CONCLUSION: GOB CAUGHT BETWEEN DEVIL AND DEEP-SEA IN THAT IT WANTS LOWER RETAIL PRICES FOR MEAT BUT ALSO REASONABLE RETURN TO CATTLE FARMERS AND THEREFORE DECIDED TO RESORT TO SUPPORT PRODUCER PRICES ABOVE ACTUAL MARKET LEVELS. UNDER THOSE CIRCUMSTANCES WE DOUBT BRAZIL WILL IMPORT MUCH URUGUAYAN BEEF, ALTHOUGH GOB AWARE AND SYMPATHETIC TO URUGUAYAN PRECARIOUS TRADE BALANCE. SLAUGHTER CATTLE FROM URUGUAY WILL NOT BE IMPORTED EITHER. BREEDING CATTLE WILL.

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